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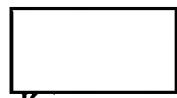
DATE: 7 September 1972

TO: GAC  
FROM: JJMC  
SUBJECT: DOD Response to Sen. Symington's Query

REMARKS: Attached is a copy of DOD's reply to Sen. Symington's letter (also copy attached). I have also attached an extra copy of both if you wish to send to Mr. Colby.

I find nothing objectionable as such in the reply. However, I feel that the references to OSA in the classified supplement should be changed to CIA. ALSO, I feel that the fact that Phung hoang was a coordination effort rather than a new ministry -- and therefore did not have a major payroll as such on the Vietnamese side -- was not brought out with sufficient clarity. If you do not object, I will pass these comments on to Dave Farnham, who needs an answer by tomorrow at the latest.

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